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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

THROUGH : Chairman, National Intelligence Council

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SUBJECT : Your Testimony Wednesday on Taiwan for the SSCI

1. [] memorandum (tab B) narrowing Senator Goldwater's interests to the FX issue as well as subsequent information that the Senator no longer plans to visit Taiwan suggest that your testimony Wednesday should be confined to an explanation of intelligence provided to policymakers. Proposed testimony in outline form appears at tab A.

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2. Senator Goldwater undoubtedly opposes the President's decision against FX sales to Taiwan. He will probably want to examine some of the basic data upon which we made our judgments. There are at least two ready responses: first, the intelligence provided to policymakers on this issue (tab C) was borne out by events; second, the centerpiece of Community intelligence provided to policymakers was an IIM drafted by DIA whose finding was that the FX would make only a modest contribution to Taiwan's defense.

3. In the event you wish to broaden your testimony to include the subjects we discussed last Friday (state of play on Taiwan; summary of the military balance; explanations of PRC behavior regarding the FX; Taiwan's reaction to the FX issue; reunification proposals; Taiwan's leadership; and gaps in intelligence coverage), tab D includes suitable backup material. Please let me know if you want testimony prepared on the backup material.

4. [] and Dick Kerr have reviewed this memorandum and the attached testimony.

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